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FM AMEMBASSY CAPE TOWN
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C O N F I D E N T I A L CAPE TOWN 0841

KHARTOUM FOR AMB YOUNG OR LONDON FOR AMB YOUNG

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: OVIP (YOUNG, ANDREW), SF
SUBJ: BPC REACTION TO YOUNG VISIT

REF: CAPE TOWN 637, PRETORIA 2560

1. BLACK PEOPLE'S CONVENTION (BPC) LIAISON INFORMED EMBOFF MAY 23 THAT ORGANIZATION WAS SPLIT AS TO POSITION TO TAKE REGARDING MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR YOUNG. BPC HAD WANTED TO MAINTAIN PUBLIC POSITION REPORTED REFTEL BUT SOME MEMBERS STILL WANTED TO SEND EMISSARY FOR PRIVATE MEETING WITH YOUNG.

2. CONSIDERATION OF ISSUE AND DECISION NOT TO MEET YOUNG WAS MADE FOLLOWING ALMOST SIMULTANEOUS CALLS FROM AMCONDUL CAPE TOWN AND AMCONSUL JOHANNESBURG ISSUING INVITATIONS TO BPC MEMBERS FOR MAY 22 RECEPTION. BPC CONSIDERED CALL PRESSURE TACTIC OF US AND REACTED NEGATIVELY. BPC SUBSEQUENTLY DECIDED CALLS WERE PROBABLY MISINTERPRETED
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AND WISHED EMBOFF AND YOUNG INFORMED OF WHAT HAPPENED.

3. COMMENT: BPC DIVISION OVER ATTITUDE TOWARDS US PROBABLY INTENSIFIED BY PRESS REPORTS THAT SSRC MET YOUNG AND BPC FEELING LEFT OUT IN COLD. FACTION WHICH ARGUED FOR MEETING WITH US AMBASSADOR TO UN MAY BE SAME WHICH PREVAILED IN BPC DECISION TO SEND TELEGRAMS TO

WESTERNEMBASSIES REQUESTING PUBLIC STAND AGAINST BANNINGS
OF DR. RAMPHELE AND MVOSO (SEE CAPE TOWN 637). BOWDLER

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